

PROCLAMATION

Pride Month

WHEREAS, The City of Bothell recognizes the month of June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual (LGBTQIA+) "Pride Month" and observes Pride Month with a Progress Pride flag raising ceremony to honor the history of the LGBTQIA+ liberation movement and to support every person's right to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the Progress Pride flag is widely recognized as a symbol of pride, inclusion, and support for social movements that advocate for LGBTQIA+ people in society, and the City of Bothell is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equality for LGBTQIA+ people in our diverse community and their immeasurable impact on cultural, civic and economic successes; and

WHEREAS, while society at large increasingly supports LGBTQIA+ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice; and

WHEREAS, all humans are born free and equal in dignity and rights and this nation was founded on the principle that every individual has infinite worth; the Bothell City Council calls upon all to embrace this principle and work to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists; and

WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for the LGBTQIA+ community, and is an opportunity to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance, and advance equal rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mason Thompson, Mayor of the City of Bothell, do herby proclaim the month of June 2022 as Pride Month in support of the LGBTQIA+ community.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Progress Pride flag was raised on June 1st at City Hall to recognize all LGBTQIA+ residents whose influential and lasting contributions to our neighborhoods make the City of Bothell a vibrant community in which to live, work and visit.

Signed this 7th day of June, 2022.

Mason Thompson

Mason Thompson (Jun 7, 2022 16:16 PDT)

Mason Thompson, Mayor